

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 269 - HB 356

February 13, 2015

SUMMARY OF BILL: Extends the East Tennessee Human Resource Agency (ETHRA) to June 30, 2021. Under the *Tennessee Governmental Entity Review Law*, the Agency is scheduled to terminate June 30, 2015.

Requires each department, commission, board, agency, or council of state government created during calendar year 2019 to terminate on June 30, 2021. Specifies that any such governmental entity that is terminated may be continued, reestablished, or restructured.

Requires representatives of the ETHRA to update the Government Operations Joint Evaluation Committee on Education, Health and General Welfare on the Agency's progress in addressing the findings set forth in the December 2014 performance audit report and in the six-month follow-up report issued by the Division of State Audit by December 1, 2015.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Other Fiscal Impact – To the extent a governmental entity is not continued in the future, or the funding level is changed in the future for an entity that is continued, reestablished, or restructured, the fiscal impact is considered indeterminable because such impact(s) are dependent upon unknown factors. Otherwise, the fiscal impact for this bill is considered not significant.

Assumptions:

- One of the provisions of this bill continues the ETHRA at its current funding level. As a result, this provision will have no fiscal impact on state government.
- According to the Tennessee Association of Human Resource Agencies, the expenditures for ETHRA were \$37,948,468 in FY12-13 and \$37,301,689 in FY13-14.
- The fiscal impact relative to any governmental entity that will be terminated on June 30, 2021, under the provisions of this bill, is dependent upon whether any such terminated entity will be continued, reestablished, or restructured, and the funding level for which it is continued, reestablished, or restructured. To the extent an entity is not continued in the future or the funding level is changed in the future for an entity that is continued, reestablished or restructured, the fiscal impact to state government is indeterminable because such impact(s) would be based on unknown factors. To the extent the terminated entities are continued, reestablished, or restructured at current funding levels, the fiscal impact to state government is estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Jeffrey L. Spalding". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jeffrey L. Spalding, Executive Director

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